

O'NEIL ON TRIAL Greenfield Court Begins the Famous Case this Morning.

JURY SECURED AT NOON

The Man Accused of the Awful Murder Is
Cool and Collected. Scenes in the
Court Room. The Men Chosen
as Jurymen. Jury Goes
to Shelburne Falls.

At 9 o'clock this morning in Greenfield began the trial of John O'Neil, Jr., charged with the murder of Mrs. Hattie E. McCloud. The crime for which O'Neil is now being tried was committed on the evening of January 8, 1897, probably between 7 and 8 o'clock, about half a mile from the village of Shelburne Falls in Buckland. As one goes east on the Fitchburg road, just before the stop at the Shelburne Falls depot, the clump of trees that marks the scene of the murder is visible about a quarter of a mile to the right of the first road crossing of the Fitchburg tracks in that village.

The murder was one of the foulest nature. Mrs. McCloud was strangled to death, outraged and what money she had taken, and her body left in a clump of bushes near the lonely road, where it was discovered the next morning. Intense excitement followed. The Shelburne Falls people were shocked beyond telling by the horror of the deed committed and the foul murder of one of the most estimable of women.

Within a few hours O'Neil was arrested, the chief suspicion against him being a sudden flushness of money on the evening of the murder when he had been without a cent in the afternoon, and his inability to explain how he got his money or where he was at the probable time of the murder. His general bad character also made it possible to believe him guilty of the crime.

The bench was occupied by Chief Justice Albert Mason of Brookline and his associates, Judge Franklin Goodridge of Fessenden of Springfield and Judge Henry Newton Sheldon of Boston. The

Bernardston, Adelbert S. Atherton, Henry C. Cushman, Willis A. Stratton, Buckland, Marcus S. Purinton, Jacob Therringer, Gilbert J. Tower.

Colrain, William H. Burdwell, William Combs, Jonathan E. Davenport, Charles L. Donelson, Thomas R. Miller, John W. Fuller, James P. Keyes, Herbert R. Lee, Deerfield, Alden B. Briggs, Clarence G. Clapp, Samuel F. Fisher, William L. Harris, Charles Jones, 2d; Charles E. Stebbins.

Erving, Henry C. Thrasher, William G. Walkup.

Gill, Lyman D. Howe, Charles Rapp, Albert Sanderson.

Greenfield, Clarence M. Abbe, William A. Ames, Charles M. Blanchard, Benjamin F. Butler, Walter S. Carson, Nahum S. Carter, William W. Donovan, Herbert O. Edgerton, Henry W. Hale, John W. Handforth, Gilbert E. Jones, George F. Lamb, John P. Logan, George A. Roberts, William N. Washburn.

Hawley, F. M. Simpson, W. S. Warfield, Heath, Arthur J. Peterson, Visenlio D. Thompson.

Leyden, H. B. Mowry, W. R. Strange.

Leverett, Messrs. Field, Charles E. Smith, Monroe, Huel S. Tower.

Montague, John L. Crowley, Fred E. Field, Emerson P. Goodell, Robert H. Hamilton, Fred H. King, Samuel C. Lincoln, Auret M. Lyman, Washburn H. Ripley, John H. Sears, Lyman Wilder.

New Salem, Daniel Ballard, Lester Ballard, Prentiss Pierce.

Northfield, Edward S. Bardwell, Elliot I. Lyman, Charles C. Stearns, Clinton A. Ware, Sanford W. Weatherhead.

Orange, Eugene C. Bartlett, John F. Birch, B. Frank Bond, John F. Burke, William H. Foster, Albert R. Lindsey, John D. Porter, Fred H. Sprague, Will H. Walker, Alvaro D. Whitman.

Rowe, Perry P. Chilcott, Abbot L. White, Shelburne, L. D. Bailey, Daniel P. Bardwell, Allen G. Fellows, L. W. Truesdell.

Shutesbury, George A. Berry, Peter Hawthornwalte, Jr.

Sunderland, Frederick E. Graves, A. Fayette Warner.

Warwick, James D. Johnson, Frank A. Whipple.

Wendell, Harvey M. Hunter, H. J. Smith, Whately, Victor D. Bardwell, Frank Dickinson.

Opening of Court.

The interior of the court room was without any feature or incident excepting the accused in the dock, the eminent judges, officers and counsel who will take prominent part in the trial. The acoustic properties of the court room are not very good or else the counsel and court officers were a little timid at the beginning. Few words could be distinctly heard 30 feet away. The report of the officers after the roll of jurymen was called was inaudible and a statement of Lawyer Beer of North Adams concerning the exemption of two jurors could only be guessed at by others than the court to whom it was addressed.

The space within the rail was exclusively for the bar, but noticeable among those who were fortunate to gain seats there was Miss Germain of North Adams, stenographer for Beer & Dowlin of the defense. The relatives of the murdered woman and the accused man were provided with seats among the spectators. It was evidently far from a pleasant duty to them to be present as the expression of their faces showed.

Justice Mason said the court desired to call the attention of persons summoned as jurors to the questions that would be put. The first, relative to kin, needs no explanation. The others, relating to opinion, refer to more than rumor or newspaper stories and to candid opinion that might prevent fair judgment, hearing fairly and weighing impartially the evidence. You are not to interpret vague opinions to be these. The opinion relative to punishment by death is not to be construed as unfitting a man to serve as juror. If a man does not believe in the death penalty that does not unfit him to determine the guilt or innocence of the accused, nor does the opposite press a man to find a verdict of guilty. The law considers the infirmities of the human mind and leaves the matter to the conscience of the jurors.

Attorney General Knowlton spoke to have the Commonwealth not misunderstand the exclusion of jurors from Shelburne Falls.

Mr. Beer spoke of the contiguity of the people of Shelburne Falls and Buckland and the social relations and because of

that he thought there would be more or less prejudice.

Mr. Knowlton agreed with all that Mr. Beer said, but the matter would be determined by the court.

Justice Mason said the case of these jurors would be considered separately and would see to the matter when their residence should be named.

O'Neil Had to Take Part.

The questions put to the jurors by Justice Mason were with reference to relationship to prisoner or Hattie E. McCloud deceased and to his opinions and bias or if he were a constable. Answering these in the negative he was said to be indifferent and was then subject to pre-emptory challenge by the Commonwealth or O'Neil. The law required O'Neil to challenge in person and he was told what to do by Mr. Dowlin. Special attention was given to age in challenging jurors and to the residence of juror. The defense was specially interested relative to residence in Shelburne Falls and Buckland.

O'Neil took the duty of challenging in a very business-like way, jumping up to say "I challenge" or "I do not challenge" without the least hesitation or timidity. He was dressed in the black that has been so minutely described and gold link buttons were noticed in his cuffs. He was bright, healthy and intelligent looking and seemed to be in the dock by mistake, as few would take him to be a great criminal. He has a clear and steady eye and unflinching gaze.

The clerk to the prisoner standing: "John O'Neil you are now at the bar and these men are to pass upon your trial. You have a right to challenge 22 peremptorily and as many as you have just cause to challenge." The jurors were then called forward and sworn as follows:

Choosing the Jury.

John F. Burke, had no relation, interest nor opinion, nor opinions that would hinder right expression. He was challenged by the Commonwealth and declined.

Abbott L. Vine answered the questions as before, but had expressed opinion that would make it difficult to judge impartially. He stood aside.

Gilbert E. Jones answered the questions satisfactorily, but was challenged by O'Neil in person.

Daniel P. Barber lived five miles from Shelburne Falls, had formed an opinion and thought himself sensible of bias. He stood aside.

Walker S. Carson, a journalist, had interest and formed an opinion and stood aside.

William Coon formed an opinion that did not bias him. O'Neil challenged.

First Juror.

J. B. Davenport answered satisfactorily and was not challenged. The prisoner and juror were ordered to look upon each other. The juror was then sworn and was the first chosen.

George A. Roberts formed an opinion but had not expressed. He thought himself sensible of opinion and stood aside.

Charles A. Stebbins answered all questions and was not challenged. He was sworn to well and truly try and true deliberance make between the prisoner and the Commonwealth.

Lyman B. Howe was challenged by O'Neil.

M. S. Cutler had impressions that would not hinder him from right expression, but was challenged by O'Neil.

W. A. Stratton expressed an opinion from rumor and had sensible bias; was a constable and stood aside.

Fred E. Field expressed opinion and had bias and was rejected.

Marcus S. Parrington was from Buckland and was not called.

N. E. Howes had opinions, but was not sensible of bias. His opinions he thought would not hinder him in his judgment. O'Neil challenged.

Henry C. Thrasher stood indifferent, but the Commonwealth challenged.

Hugh B. Strange was challenged by O'Neil.

William G. Walker was indifferent, but the Commonwealth challenged.

Moses Field was sensible of bias and stood aside.

John D. Porter was indifferent and was not challenged. He was sworn. He is 62 years of age and made the third juror.

Charles C. Stearns had opinions about death penalty and was rejected.

Daniel Ballard was challenged by O'Neil.

Alvaro D. Whitman had opinions about death penalty and was rejected.

John P. Birch had opinions about the death penalty that disqualified him.

W. H. Walker was challenged by the Commonwealth.

George A. Berry stood indifferent, in the language of the court, and was challenged by O'Neil.

Edwin P. Williams expressed an opinion, but was not sensible of prejudice. His opinions were vague. O'Neil challenged.

Frank A. Whipple was sensible of bias and was rejected.

John W. Fuller expressed an opinion, but not to make him prejudiced. The Commonwealth challenged.

Fred H. King stood indifferent and O'Neil challenged.

Herbert E. Warfield stood indifferent and was challenged by O'Neil.

Robert H. Hamilton had formed opinions, but was unbiased. He was accepted and made the fourth.

William N. Washburn was not challenged and made the seventh juror.

W. S. Warfield was indifferent, but was challenged by the Commonwealth.

Henry W. Hale was not challenged and was sworn. He was the eighth.

William A. Ames was indifferent but was challenged by O'Neil.

H. B. Mowry, Leyden, was challenged by Commonwealth.

Henry C. Cushman, Bernardston, had opinions that disqualified him.

Moses B. Kendrick, Charlemont, was indifferent but was challenged by the Commonwealth.

Emerson P. Goodell was 70 and was challenged by the Commonwealth.

Fred H. Sprague, Orange, rejected on account of opinions.

Prentiss Pierce, New Salem, was also disqualified on account of opinion.

Elliot J. Albee, Charlemont, had opinions about death penalty and stood aside.

B. Frank Bond, Orange, stood indifferent and was not challenged. He was the ninth accepted.

George F. Lamb, Greenfield, had bias and stood aside.

Lester Ballard, New Salem, was indifferent and challenged by O'Neil.

L. D. Bailey of Shelburne was asked to stand under for a time.

H. J. Smith, Wendell, challenged by Commonwealth.

Perry P. Chilcott, Rowe, had opinions by death penalty and stood aside.

F. M. Simpson, Hawley, was a man who said, "Mr. Crittenden's mother and my wife's father were first cousins," but he had no interest in the case. He was challenged.

Charles M. Blanchard, Greenfield, challenged by Commonwealth.

Victor W. Bardwell, Whately, stood indifferent and was not challenged. He was the tenth juror chosen.

Charles E. Smith, Leverett, was indifferent and was not challenged. He was the eleventh juror chosen.

John W. Handforth, Greenfield, was challenged by O'Neil.

William H. Bardwell, Colrairie, had opinions which were only vague, but O'Neil challenged.

Herbert H. Lee, Conway, stood aside because of opinions.

Albert R. Lindsey, Orange, was indifferent, but the Commonwealth challenged.

John L. Crowley, Montague, was indifferent, and was challenged by the Commonwealth.

Adelbert S. Atherton, Bernardston, was a constable and so disqualified.

Frederick H. Graves, Sunderland, was challenged by the Commonwealth.

Frank Dickinson, Whately, had opinions but was not biased. O'Neil challenged.

Harvey M. Hunter, Wendell, was disqualified because of his opinions about finding persons guilty of offense punishable by death.

Thomas H. Miller, Colrairie, was challenged by Commonwealth.

Benjamin F. Butler, Greenfield, was challenged by O'Neil.

George D. Field, Conway, was challenged by the Commonwealth.

Auret M. Lyman, Montague, was challenged by O'Neil.

Charles Jones, 2d, Deerfield, is a constable and was disqualified.

William L. Harris, Deerfield, was not challenged and completed the panel.

The Jury.

The jurors in the order chosen are: Jonathan G. Davenport, Colrairie; Charles G. Stebbins, Deerfield; John D. Porter, Orange; Robert H. Hamilton, Montague; Eugene C. Bartlett, Orange; Sanford W. Weatherhead, Northfield; William W. Washburn, Northfield; B. Frank Bond, Orange; Victor W. Bardwell, Whately; Charles E. Smith, Leverett; William L. Harris, Deerfield. It was just 12 o'clock.

Immediately after the 12 were chosen they were told by the court officers that they could write to their friends and home people and then their communication with the outer world must cease altogether till after the trial had closed. They all took advantage of this privilege.

Attorney General Knowlton asked that Lawyer Greene of Greenfield be appointed to assist in the prosecution as District Attorney Hammond had been embarrassed and laid up with a broken leg. Lawyers Parkhurst assented to the request.

The court had no objection, but questioned the right of more than two taking part in the trial, but that matter the exigencies of the case would determine.

Mr. Knowlton presented the desirability of the jury's visiting the scene of the murder and spoke with reference to the opening of the case, the proper time for which, he thought, would be when the jury returned from viewing the place of the murder.

This followed a discussion as to the time of going to Shelburne Falls and the means of transportation.

The jury returned to the court room at 12:50 and William N. Washburn of Greenfield was chosen foreman.

Case Opened.

The indictment of O'Neil was then read. It charged the accused with strangling and choking Mrs. Hattie E. McCloud, because of which she died. The case was at this moment opened.

Court Adjourns.

E. J. Pratt and E. Haskins, deputies, were chosen keepers of the jury and were sworn. The court then at 1 o'clock adjourned to 2:30.

Jury Goes to Shelburne Falls.

He looks clean and very much better than he did six months ago as "Yank" O'Neil, the drunken loutish Shelburne Falls tough. Jail life has improved him greatly. He seemed quite proud of his appearance this morning, and his white cuffs and collar evidently pleased him.



JOHN O'NEIL, JR.,
Accused of the murder.

He looked fit for the prize ring today as he entered the court room between the deputies, standing at an even six feet and muscular power showing in his every movement. He was driven to and from the jail in a closed carriage.

The Jurymen's Occupations.

The jurymen chosen are of the following occupations: Jonathan G. Davenport, farmer; Charles G. Stebbins, farmer; J. D. Porter, machinist; Robert H. Hamilton, machinist; Eugene C. Bartlett, machinist; Sanford W. Weatherhead, blacksmith; William W. Washburn, manufacturer; Henry W. Hale, shoemaker; B. Frank Bond, machinist; Victor W. Bardwell, farmer; Charles E. Smith, farmer; William L. Harris, merchant.

By Telegraph

LIEUT. PEARY GONE.

Left Boston at 9 O'clock
This Morning for
Greenland.

Boston, July 19.—The steam sailing bark Hope with Lieutenant R. E. Peary and party of 43 on board, bound for northern Greenland, left this port at 9 o'clock today, fully equipped for the voyage.

The work of provisioning the vessel was begun as soon as she arrived in port last Thursday, and with the intermission of Sunday, when religious scruples of the Canadian seamen who were employed were respected and operations ceased, continued until shortly before the vessel sailed when the necessary equipment was completed.

The object of the voyage is to bring about an establishment of a settlement at the most northern point of Greenland which will be used as a base of supplies for an expedition in search of the north pole.

Lieutenant Peary will make a north pole voyage in 1898. To this end a party of Esquimaux will be located at the new settlement and will during next year be engaged in making preparations for Lieutenant Peary's expedition.

RUSSIA'S VOICE.

Berlin, July 19.—The long looked-for crisis in the Turkish situation has arrived, and Russia has sent her ultimatum to Constantinople.

According to a special dispatch received here, Czar Nicholas has telegraphed the Sultan demanding the immediate evacuation of Thessaly and threatening otherwise that Russian troops will cross the frontier at once.

It is said here semi-officially today that all the Powers except Great Britain have consented to this course.

Constantinople, July 19.—What Turkey proposed to the Powers is now known. The terms of the Turkish government as submitted to the Powers' ambassadors by Tewfik Pasha on Saturday not only proposed a change of frontier but fixed the amount of indemnity for Turkey at 4,500,000 pounds and renewed the demand for the abolition of the capitulations granted the Greek subject of the Ottoman empire.

This is regarded as clear proof, that the ambassadors of the Powers will be unable to effect anything by mere diplomatic negotiations, and accounts for Russia's determined action today.

Mr. Dingley Reports It.

Washington, July 19.—Mr. Dingley presented the conference report on the tariff bill to the House this morning. A vote on the bill will probably be reached tonight, and not later than tomorrow night in any event. The House was crowded when the report was submitted.

Local News!

Gas to be Shut Off.

The city's gas supply will be shut off at 2 o'clock Tuesday because of work on the new Main street bridge. It will be turned on again at 6 o'clock.

The ground was broken today for the new Memorial building at Adams. On Saturday the architect drew his lines and this morning George Sand, who has the contract for the excavation, was at work with a force of men and teams. The first spadeful of dirt was thrown out by Commander Mole of the G. A. R. post.

How O'Neil Appeared.

O'Neil came into court a few moments past 9 o'clock in charge of Jailers Richardson and deputies. He was cool and collected and showed no signs of nervousness as he was given his position in the dock.

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I never buy the latter, but use only the best, they cost a little more, but—

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in the other world; but this I do know,
that I never wish to mean as to despise a
man, because he was poor, because he was
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MONDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 19, '97

Advertisers in THE TRANSCRIPT
are the best business men in this community.
Their advertisements are worth
reading, and they are the firms with
whom to trade most advantageously.

THE O'NEIL TRIAL.

There began at Greenfield this morning
a murder trial that now seems likely to
prove one of the great criminal trials in
the annals of Massachusetts courts. John
O'Neil stands accused of as horrible a
crime as the foulness and depravity of
any human nature is capable of. The
murder of Mrs. McCleod, a defenceless
woman in a lone spot after dark, and the
acts of robbery and lust committed at the
same time, combine in as horrible a
crime as can be imagined. The man who
committed that crime stands guilty of
three offenses, all punishable in certain
states of the Union by death.

The case is one that has in it every
element of criminal interest. The proof
against O'Neil now seems to be such as
can only be brought out by the most
dextrous work of criminal lawyers. If
he is to be convicted it will be by a chain
of subtly woven circumstantial evidence.
No eye saw the deed done. So far as
known, there is no evidence that traces
the actions of the murdered woman or the
accused man close up to even the supposed
time of murder. Here and there a suspicious
circumstance against O'Neil, a very
bad character, and his own betraying
mouth. That, so far as the public now
knows, is the case against O'Neil. That
public, which is all of Western Massa-
chusetts, waits to see if a case of con-
demning strength can be made out of all
the scattered bits of evidence.

The case will be fought inch by inch,
point by point, by able lawyers. The
commonwealth is represented by a trio of
able criminal prosecutors, while the three
attorneys from this city who defend O'Neil
have experience, untiring attention to de-
tail and argumentative ability of the first
order. The case will be one of great inter-
est, not only from a legal and criminal
standpoint, but because the perpetrator of
the horrible crime committed at Shel-
burne Falls should be discovered and con-
victed that life and personal safety may
be made more secure.

"KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR NORTH ADAMS."

All Western Massachusetts knows that
North Adams is on the map of the com-
monwealth, and there is a prevailing idea
that this city is hustling and not possessed
of too much modesty. In fact, this city
gets many a doubtful compliment as to
its ability to get there and arrive with its
full share, whether that share be business
or politics.

An editorial comment in the Greenfield
Gazette and Courier shows the prevailing
sentiment as to North Adams' ability to
pull up and carry away almost everything
that is not nailed down. All that the
Greenfield people are troubled about now
seems to be lest North Adams (which
seems to be synonymous with business
Berkshire), will make off with the Frank-
lin hills and join them to "The Berk-
shires." The Greenfield paper says:

A Western Franklin person writes the
Gazette asking why that portion of the
world is sometimes spoken of as "The
Berkshires." It would not be difficult to
believe that a concerted effort was being
made by the unfortunate people living
beyond the Hoosac range to reach
through the tunnel, which has brought
them about all the blessings they have,
and appropriate the beauties of the Deer-
field valley to themselves. If the offices
of classifying any part of Franklin as the
Berkshires is actually committed it should
be severely reprimanded. Let Berkshire
struggle along with such charms as must
be allotted her, and leave the picturesque
region along the Deerfield to be just what
it is—the Franklin hills. Keep an eye
out for North Adams, a rule whose
utility is not confined to the field of
politics.

Notice how North Adams is singled
out as being the root of all this mountain-
stealing evil. It is the pernicious activity
of North Adams that endangers the
Franklin hills. Pittsfield is in Berkshire,
but her quiet nature is not feared. She is
not even mentioned. This city is the
grand mountain grabber and hill gobbler
and business monopolizer of Berkshire
that is troubling Franklin.

"Keep an eye out for North Adams."

Greenfield. You are right there. Nail
down your mountains and get your busi-
ness under cover, but when you want a
congressman come up and see us. So quit
sneaking us now.

EDITOR GERE AT IT AGAIN.

Editor Gere of the Northampton Gaz-
ette has a specialty in politics—councilor
contests. The fine old editor of The Gaz-
ette might be called either "The Tail Sw-
capture of the Connecticut," or "The
Councilor Maker." One name would be
as appropriate as the other. He is just
now forcing the fall councilor contest in
favor of Daniel H. Newton of Holyoke
and incidentally throwing brick-bats and
chimney tiles into Parley A. Russell's an-
tibiotics and Berkshire men's over-will-
ness to serve their country. Here is the

way the Hampshire man views the situation:

Two years ago the Greenfield Gazette
was very urgent in pressing the claim of
the Western Hampshire senatorial district
to the councilorship, and even refused to
support a Franklin county man in opposi-
tion to a candidate from Hampshire. The
claim of Hampshire county is now stronger
than it was then. It therefore seems a
little greedy for Berkshire to set up a
claim to this office now. Berkshire men
are all right at the proper time, and when
that time arrives the Connecticut valley
will be glad to support one of them for
councilor, but that time is not this year.
If the councilorship should go to Berk-
shire this year that county would have
two votes in that body. Too much. It is
disgraceful to turn this time and other claim
ought to be gracefully conceded by Berk-
shire.

BUSINESS CONTINUES TO IMPROVE.

Another week's close on Saturday
brought good news of the business situa-
tion throughout the country. All busi-
ness authorities agree in declaring that
business is slowly but surely picking up.
The end of the tariff struggle in congress
is at hand and the fact is aiding materially.
Dun's financial review on Saturday said
that with the exception of the great coal
miners' strike, which may terminate at
any time, there is scarcely a feature of
the business outlook, which is not en-
couraging, the season considered. Crop
prospects have been improved by needed
rain in some regions, and foreign ad-
vices continue to promise a large demand.
In many home industries, particularly in
building, there is more activity than in
any year since 1893, and the week has
brought a better demand in boots and
shoes and in woollens, while the move-
ment of freight, mainly iron ore, through
the Sault Ste. Marie Canal is the largest in
its history. With many markets un-
clouded, there is nothing in sight to hin-
der rapid improvement when uncertainty
about legislation has been removed, for
the miners' strike could not last long if
business and industries should become ac-
tive.

The boot and shoe business is gaining,
and is now shipping more than in either
of five previous years, because a long de-
lay of buying made shipments in May and
June smaller than in either of those years.
Though it is between seasons, and sales-
men are starting out to solicit orders for
the next purchases for speedy delivery
have much increased, especially in wo-
men's grain and buff and men's grain
shoes, brogans and heavy shoes, prices
being now paid which were recently re-
fused. Many shops have closed, and many
others are just finishing orders, but a good
many yet have orders for some weeks.

Failures in the first eight days of July
were only \$1,557,401 against \$4,417,956 in
nine days last year, with manufacturing
\$735,586 against \$2,176,333 last year, and
trading \$14,515 against \$1,979,654 last year.
Failures for the week have been 263 in the
United States against 269 last year, and 27
in Canada against 35 last year.

Talk about doing business on wind-
what's the matter with the Swedish re-
sistant now on his way to the north pole in
a balloon?

The O'Neil murder trial will now ab-
sorb public attention in this section for
some days to come. THE TRANSCRIPT is
covering the trial the most thoroughly of
any evening paper in the state.

The funniest legal hippodrome in Berk-
shire many a day was the flood of at-
tachments at "Lawman's" park last Sat-
urday. The Adams sheriff who came to
attach and hold the length and breadth
of the ball grounds paid an admission fee
to get onto the grounds and so did the
one who got out the belated attachment.
There is real humor in this attachment
business.

Under the head lines, "Prosperity is
Here," The Boston Commercial Bulletin
says: "The American people have got
into the bad habit of growling for four
years, and not unreasonably, at bad times.
Probably no more universal wave of de-
pression ever struck a country than 1896
brought to the United States, with pro-
tection broken down and free silver
threatened. With the exception of the
carpet industry there is not a branch of
the wool and woollen industry in the
United States that does not show an im-
provement, that has not ahead of it, pros-
pects above rather than below the aver-
age. Today there is scarcely a cloth-
maker in the United States whose mill is
not running in full time. Wool scourers
are running night and day. The spring
clothing trade has been good. The job-
bers of woollens in the western states re-
port an increase of 30 per cent in their
half year's business. Wool is booming.
Woollens are advancing. Cheer up!"

SUCCESS ASSURED.

The Transcript's Book on North Ad-
ams and Vicinity Prospering.

The success attained by the representa-
tives of THE TRANSCRIPT in securing the
hearty co-operation of the large manu-
facturers and merchants of the city and
the interest taken by them have been most
flattering and the entire success of the
work "North Adams and Vicinity Illus-
trated" assured. When THE TRANSCRIPT
stated that this work would be such an one
as would amply represent this city and its
varied industries and enterprises ade-
quately it meant just what it said, and ar-
rangements have been made for the issue
of a work that will be creditable alike
to the city and to the publishers. No
expenses or labor is being spared to make
it perfect both as a work
of art and a reliable work
of reference. The majority of our business
men have already been accorded repre-
sentation in the edition, but THE TRAN-
SCRIPT wishes everyone to be represented
and if any of our merchants have not yet
been called upon by one of our representa-
tives he may rest assured that he has
not been forgotten and that he will be in-
terviewed in due course. We must have
everyone to make the work fully repre-
sentative and will see to it that no one is
neglected.

Several elegant designs for the cover
have already been received at this office
but we want more. In fact we want every
person of artistic ability to enter this com-
petition and try for the twenty dollar
prize offered by THE TRANSCRIPT for the
most artistic and appropriate design to
grace the cover of this work.

—Manager Orr has received from the
Postal Telegraph company a handsome
and reliable thermometer which he has
placed at the door of the company's office
on Holden street.

TRAVELLER'S GUIDE.

Fitchburg Railroad.

Corrected May 31, 1897.
Trains leave North Adams going East—
12.15, 7.25, 9.55, 11.45, a. m., 1.10, 4.30,
6.00 p. m.
Going West—6.35, 7.45, 10.05, a. m., 12.30, 1.54,
5.00, 12.05, 11.45, 12.30, 7.40 p. m.
Train arrive from East—10.05, a. m., 12.10, 1.24,
6.00, 12.05, 11.45, 12.30 p. m.
From West—12.37, 12.15, 7.25, 9.55, 11.45,
a. m., 1.10, 4.31, 5.55, 7.00 p. m.,
11.30 a. m., 12.05 p. m.
Run Daily, except Monday.
Run Daily, Sunday included.
Run Daily, Sunday.

Boston & Albany Railroad.

Trains leave North Adams, daily except Sun-
day, for Pittsfield and intermediate sta-
tions at 6.20, 9.30 a. m., 12.15, 3.30, 6.00 p. m.
Connecting at Pittsfield with Boston, also
for New York, Albany, and the West.
Timetables and further particulars may be
obtained of
G. H. PATRICK, Ticket Agent,
Greenfield, Worcester, and Boston, also
for New York, Albany, and the West.
A. S. HANSON, G. P. & A.
Boston, Mass.

New York Central R. R.

Leave North Adams via R. & A. R. R. for New
York city 6.30 a. m.; arrive N. Y. city 11.30 a. m.;
leave North Adams 5.30 a. m.; arrive N. Y. city
12.30 p. m.; leave North Adams 3.30 p. m.; arrive
N. Y. city 8.40 p. m. Sunday train leaves North
Adams 1.30 p. m.; arrive N. Y. city 8.30 p. m.
Fast Pittsfield and North Adams special trains
leave N. Y. city at 9.00 a. m. and 1.45 p. m.
Only except Sundays, arriving in North Adams
at 2.30 p. m. and 8.55 p. m. Sunday train
leaves North Adams at 1.30 p. m.; arrive North
Adams 4.20 p. m. F. J. WOLFE, General Agent,
Albany, N. Y.

Boston & Maine Railroad.

For Springfield, Northampton, and Holyoke 6.30,
7.10, 10.05, 11.15 a. m., 1.00, 3.02, 4.12, 9.30 p. m.
Sundays 6.30, 8.40 a. m. For Deerfield, Whiteley,
and Hatfield 7.10, 11.15 a. m., 1.00, 4.12 p. m.
Sundays 8.40 a. m.
For South Vernon Junction, 8.45, 10.25 a. m.,
1.25, 3.30, 4.35, 9.30 p. m. Sundays 4.30 a. m.,
9.15 p. m.
For Brattleboro, Bellows Falls, and Windsor,
10.25 a. m., 1.22, 4.51, 9.15 p. m. Sundays 4.50
a. m., 9.15 p. m.
For stations between White River Junction
and Lyndonville, 10.25 a. m., 1.22, 9.15 p. m. For
Newport and Sherbrooke, 10.22 a. m., 9.15 p. m.

Stages.

NORTH ADAMS AND READSBORO.
J. E. FAULKNER, Proprietor.
Leave Post Office, North Adams 1.30 p. m.
Leave Post Office, Readsboro 8 a. m.

Finest and Most Up-to-date
Printing at THE TRANSCRIPT Office
at prices paid elsewhere for poorer
work.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

—A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. N. T.
Gleason, Sunday.

—Regular meeting of the Father
Matthew society this evening at 7.30
o'clock.

—A number of young people from this
city picnicked at Hoosac Tunnel Sunday
afternoon.

—A large number from this city attend-
ed the sacred concert given by the Hun-
garian band at Cole's grove Sunday after-
noon.

—James H. Kirby, who rode the county
relay course Saturday made it in 7 hours
and 34 minutes. It was a great ride and
is an established record of itself.

—The contract for erecting the French
parochial school building will be let to
Alex. Pecor of this city. The contract
will be closed and work will begin at
once. The foundation was laid last fall by
H. J. Bishop & Co., of Adams. The build-
ing will cost in the neighborhood of
\$30,000.

—The name of Adam Forepaugh is an
old and well known trademark in the cir-
cus world. The three Sells Brothers are
also among the oldest circus managers in
the country, so when the two are com-
bined something out of the ordinary
should be looked for, as it naturally means
a mammoth exhibit. This time it seems
that the management of the great enter-
prise has outdone itself and brought
together the finest and best collection of
amateur talent that Boston has ever wit-
nessed.—Boston Traveler.

—The wife of A. T. Hyde, the printer of
Pittsfield, receives no further information
regarding his disappearance last Monday
night and her father is now in Pittsfield.
The impression is gaining ground that he
has not committed suicide and that the
buying of the Paris green was simply a
ruse. Physicians say that if he had
taken the amount of poison that he car-
ried away with him, from the office, he
would not have been able to get out of
the city proper before he would have
been overcome. The police think that
Patrick Meenan, who also strayed away
the other day, will return again.

Town Talk.

This is the Age of Low Prices.

Nice, bright, easy-running bicycles only
15 cents an hour, 50 cents a day. Tandems
30 cents an hour, \$1.50 a day. Repairing
by an expert mechanic at cut rates. As
lowest made bicycle, warranted, only
\$35.50. Bicycle livery, 22 Summer street.

The approaching Summer

will find a vast number of people suffering from
asthma, general debility, indigestion, and
sleeplessness. Do not resort to whiskey,
or harsh stimulants, but pin your faith on a
good tonic like

Simard's

Beef, Wine, and
Iron

This is a carefully prepared formula
combining in its preparation Leibig's Ex-
tract of chemically pure iron and the
best California sherry wine. We have been
selling this special preparation for several
years and in no known instance has it
failed in producing most satisfactory results.
Price 50c a bottle, full price.
Be on all bottles returned.

DR. STAFFORD'S

COUGH CURE.

Our Ice cream soda is. Ice cream with
crushed fruit 10c. Best in the city. Bring
your own containers and save 10 per cent
by our cash card.

Geo. A. Simard & Co.

Druggists' Manufacturers.
Opposite Post Office, North Adams, Mass.

North Adams Won.

The North Adams team beat the Spring-
field-Hartford consolidated team with
ease Saturday afternoon. The batteries
were McBride and Summers, Cann and
Cannon. North Adams played a very
fine game with no errors and McBride
pitched excellent ball, allowing his op-
ponents but four hits. Cann, a former
North Adams boy pitched for the visiting
team and nine hits were made off him.
The present North Adams team is cer-
tainly made up of ball players. The score
by innings:

North Adams 2 0 0 2 2 0 0 3-12

Summary—Hits, North Adams 9, oppo-
nents 4; errors, North Adams 0, oppo-
nents 2; two-base hit, McBride; stolen
bases, Scharf, Drew 2, Kelly, Meckley,
Harley, Kennedy, O'Brien; double plays,
O'Brien, Scharf and Mackay, Kennedy,
Smith and Mahoney; bases on balls, by
McBride, Mahoney, Harley 2, Cannon; by
Cann, Scharf, O'Brien; bases on hit by
pitched ball, Kennedy; struck out by Mc-
Bride, Sullivan, Mahoney, Kennedy 2,
Cann, O'Brien 2, Cannon, Smith by Cann,
Sullivan, wild pitches, Cann 2; McBride
2; umpire, Ed. Ryan.

The Blackinton Juniors defeated the

Druryites in a whirl, 19 to 7 Saturday.
Batteries: Blackinton, L. White, Jones
and B. White; Druryites, Quinn and Buck-
ley.

The Cheshires defeated the St. Jeans
of this city Saturday by the narrow ma-
jority of one score being 12 to 13.
Batteries, Cheshires, Woodcock and Rey-
nolds; St. Jeans, Brooks, Keeler and Trom-
bly.

Special Meeting.

A union meeting of G. A. R., Sons of
Veterans and Woman's Relief corps is
called for Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock,
July 21, to consider the Berkshire county
picnic to be held at Hoosac Valley park;
also to consider and arrange for the
Buffalo national encampment, which oc-
curs the last of August. Let there be a
large attendance.

HENRY A. TOWER, Pres.
FRANCIS WILLIAMS, Sec'y.

Ladies Long

Guard Chains

from the cheap, silver plated silk guard at
25c up to the 18 kt. solid gold with Garnet. Opal
or Diamond sides, covering a great variety of
gold patterns in gold-plated and gold plate set

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JEWELER
AND ART DEALER
NORTH ADAMS.

WANTED AT ONCE!

Trimming cutters at N. L.
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Apply at once.

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Save your

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by having your glasses fitted at

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Examination free.

SITUATIONS WANTED

A young girl would like to assist in housework.
Address M. Transcript.

A situation wanted by a boy, 15, in store or
office during the summer for whole or part of
day. Address F. B. Transcript.

TO RENT.

A furnished room to rent, gentleman preferred.
Inquire at 21 Ashland st., Whitman block.

A desirable first floor tenement, large and
roomy. American family preferred. Ad-
dress 100 State street.

A large tenement, all modern conveniences, 22
Church st. Inquire at 15 Church st.

A furnished room to rent, a bank street. In-
quire Western Union Telegraph Office.

A tenement on Bank Street, rent \$18. Inquire
at 35 Church st., or Sumner's drug store.

A tenement with all modern conveniences. In-
quire at H. A. Graves & Co., 10 Bank st.

A cottage "Laurel" on Island in Pontreux lake.
Inquire of Fred T. Francis, Pittsfield, Mass.

A 2-story building 18x18, in rear of 25 Main st.
Inquire of W. C. Ellis, 77 Holden st.

Two two tenement houses to rent with all
modern conveniences, corner of Ashland and
Hoosac streets. Inquire of Clarence W. Gal-
lop, North Adams Savings bank block.

WANTED

A good competent girl to do general housework
Apply 37 Church st.

A girl to do general housework. Inquire at 7
Grant st.

Three furnished rooms for light housekeeping.
Must be centrally located and reasonable.
Address Permanent, Box 1097; Williamstown
Station.

A competent book-keeper and office man. Ad-
dress P. O. Box 811.

FOR SALE.

Two large lots on Meadow st. extension. In-
quire at 12 Frederick st.

Or to rent. A house on Glen avenue. Apply to
Harvey A. Gallup, Boland block.

One new lumber wagon my own make, 3 second
hand lumber wagon with brake on, 1 old
buggy. N. J. Barron Williamstown, Mass.

Or to rent, good home and barn, well located lot
at Hoosac Tunnel station. Address R. T.
Harlow, Hoosac Savings Bank block, F2A ft

LOST

A pair of gold-bowed spectacles in a case marked
E. M. Dickinson on Thursday. Reward paid
for return to the Transcript.

A Kensington art needle, between Eagle and
Union st. Return to Euphemia Hoey,
51 Eagle st.

Life Insurance

If you would
create a cost of the old-fashioned method of in-
surance plan as well as the excessive cost of
Old Life Insurance, insure with the
Greenfield.

Life Association

Greenfield, Mass.
Policy contracts are liberal, concise and just.
E. A. Hall, Pres. H. O. Edgerton, Sec.
J. W. Maher, Genl. Agt.
77 Main Street.



Cameras, Kodaks, Supplies, Film Dry Plates.

Pocket kodaks

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\$2 to \$25

ARE especially adapted
to the wheelman's use
They use our light proof
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CALL AND GET
CATALOG AT

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\$2.50 given in prizes for
kodak pictures. \$1.47 in
gold. Send for "Prize con-
test circular."



Harper & Kane

are Selling Out

their stock of Millinery Goods at Cost and
less in order to close their business August 1st.
Anyone owing bills will please call and settle before
that time. All persons having bills against Harper
& Kane will please present them for payment.

INSURANCE of All Kinds.....

Tinker & Ransford

Office over Adams National Bank, North Adams, Mass. The Leading Agency

We were caught

by the cold weather of the spring season
with a large overstock of

Light weight clothing

which we must close out at a great sacrifice to
make room for the coming season's stock. Our
bargains will interest you. Everything at a
sacrifice in prices.

Think of a fine trouser at \$2, 2.50, 3,
and 4 a pair. We have them. Nice ballbrig-
gan shirts and drawers, for men, 25c a garment.
Children's Tam O'Shanter hats, good crash, 15c.
Bicycle suits for men, good ones at \$5. Boys'
bicycle suits for \$4.

M. Gatslick,

Clothing and Furnishing Goods. 66 Main Street

For Hot Weather

Ice Cream and Soda are excellent to buy, eat

